

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 624
By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Melissa Whaley, 2003
Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Whaley is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Melissa has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this stellar academic achievement, Melissa has also been involved in a number of activities throughout her high school career; she has excelled as a Girl Scout and as a member of the Sevier County High School Marching and Symphonic Band, the National Honor Society, the American Field Service, SADD, 4-H and the 4-H Honor Club, and the Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, she has been included in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; has been recognized as an All-American Scholar; and has earned the Girl Scout Silver Award, among a host of other awards and honors; and

WHEREAS, Melissa's noteworthy accomplishments are a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Robin Whaley and David Whaley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Melissa Whaley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Melissa Whaley, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.